



## TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR ALBACORE TUNA

GENERAL	
<b>COMMODITY:</b>	ALBACORE TUNA
<b>BINOMIAL NAME:</b>	THUNNUS ALALUNGA
<b>ORIGIN/FAO ZONE:</b>	FAO47
<b>CERTIFICATION:</b>	PENDING: FRIEND OF THE SEA/ EARTH ISLAND
<b>COMPLIANCE:</b>	MARINE LIVING RESCOURE ACT 1998, HACCP, FDA, EU APPROVED
<b>FISHING METHOD:</b>	WILD CAUGHT - POLE AND LINE / HANDLINE
<b>SIZE GRADING:</b>	- 7 KGS   7 - 10 KGS   10 - 15 KGS   + 15 KGS
<b>DESCRIPTION:</b>	WHOLE ROUND
<b>FREEZING METHOD:</b>	LAND FROZEN, SEA FROZEN, BRINE FROZEN



ORGANOLEPTIC CHARACTERISTICS	
<b>APPEARANCE:</b>	CHARACTERISTIC OF THIS SPECIES BY SENSORY ASSESMENT/ ANALYSIS
<b>COLOR:</b>	CHARACTERISTIC OF THIS SPECIES BY SENSORY ASSESMENT/ ANALYSIS
<b>ODOR:</b>	CHARACTERISTIC OF THIS SPECIES BY SENSORY ASSESMENT/ ANALYSIS

PHYSIO-CHEMICAL CHARACTERISTICS	
<b>HISTAMINE:</b>	LEGAL REQUIREMENTS: ≤ 100 ppm
<b>HEAVY METALS:</b>	MERCURY: 1.0 ppm max. LEAD: 0.3 ppm max. CADMIUM: 0.1 ppm max.

MICROBIOLOGICAL CHARACTERISTICS	
<b>AEROBIC MESOPHILIC COUNT:</b>	< 10 <sup>6</sup> ufc/g
<b>ENTEROBACTERIA COUNT</b>	< 10 <sup>3</sup> ufc/g
<b>SALMONELLA:</b>	NOT FOUND IN 25 g SAMPLE
**HEALTH CERTIFICATES ARE ISSUED ON PHYSIO-CHEMICAL CHARACTERISTICS ONLY. AN ADDITIONAL COST FOR THE MICROBIOLOGICAL CHARACTERISTICS APPLY**	

PRODUCT PRESENTATION	
<b>PACKAGING/ PACKING:</b>	FROZEN LOOSE LOADED IN CONTAINER FOR SEA FREIGHT
	FRESH ALBACORE PACKED IN POLYSTYRENE BOXES WITH FROZEN GEL PACKS AND ABSORBANT PAPER FOR AIR FREIGHT

TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE	
<b>TRANSPORT</b>	TRANSPORTED IN INSULATED REFRIGERATED TRUCKS / REEFER CONTAINERS
<b>TEMPERATURE:</b>	FROZEN ≤ -18 °C (BRINE FROZEN CAN BE TRANSPORTED AT ≤ -9 °C)
	FRESH ≤ 1 °C (AT TIME OF PACKING)
<b>TONNAGE:</b>	DEPENDING ON DESTINATION RESTRCTIONS
<b>EXPIRATION DATE:</b>	FROZEN - 18 MONTHS FROM FREEZING DATE
	FRESH - 10 DAYS FROM PACKING DATE

QUALITY	
<b>TRACEABILITY:</b>	ALL PRODUCTS CAN BE TRACED BACK TO THE HOOK FOR QUALITY CONTROL PURPOSES
<b>OTHER:</b>	CLIENT MUST HAVE IN PLACE APPROPRIATE QUALITY CONTROL SYSTEMS AND PERFORM THE NECESSARY INCOMING INSPECTIONS TO ASSURE THAT THE DELIVERY OF PRODUCTS COMPLY WITH THEIR SPECIFICATIONS. IN THE EVENT OF FAILING SUCH CONTROLS, THE PRODUCT CAN BE RETURNED (IN THE SAME CONDITION AS DELIVERED) AND WE WILL REPLACE IT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. IF THE CLIENT DECIDES TO USE THE DELIVERED PRODUCTS IT WILL BE UNDER ITS SOLE RESPONSIBILITY. WE WILL NOT ACCEPT ANY CLAIMS ON FROZEN PRODUCTS THAT HAVE BEEN DEFROSTED AND/OR PROCESSED.
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